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FOR CLERK OF THE APPELLATE COURT, SOUTHERN

GRAND DIVISION.

JOHN Q. HARMAN, of Alexander.

GOLD was quoted in Wall street yesterday

at 100 3/4.

DANIEL DREW, the noted speculator, now

lies at the point of death in New York city.

Drew is eighty years of age.

CARDINAL McCLOSKEY who has just re-

turned from Europe, is to have a public

reception at New York City at St. Paul's

Cathedral.

The president has "partly promised" to be

present at the three days musical festival

that will open next week in Baltimore for

the benefit of the Lee monument fund.

MRS. HAYES has gone to spend a few

weeks with the family of Vice-President

Wheeler, and this fact, it is said, will set at

rest the newspaper assertions that the presi-

dent and vice-president are not in harmony

with each other owing to the latter's disap-

proval of the former's policy.

THE Argus-Journal has mentioned more

persons in connection with the congressional

race than we have. Wherefore we are desir-

ous of placating the good souls we did not

think of. And so, we give the A-J's

mentioning article in full. It may be

found in another column of this issue.

A MAN was recently picked up in mid

ocean by an American vessel's crew. He

was an escaped convict from a Brazilian

penal island and was endeavoring to secure

his freedom by making an ocean voyage on

a frail raft. He had been pursued by sharks

and was nearly exhausted by thirst

and starvation. The ship's crew carried

him to New York.

It is generally believed that that the 30th

of May, "Decoration Day," is a legal holi-

day. An inquiry being made of Congress-

man Hewitt, he answered that on June 1,

1872, Mr. Duell introduced joint resolution

158 to make May 30 a legal holiday, which

having been twice read was referred to the

judiciary committee. It was never priated,

and there is no record of it in the clerk's

office and the original resolution is not in

the committee.

At the Battle of Brandywine, some of

the soldiers of the command of Gen. Wade

Hampton captured a field glass belonging

to Gen. Custer and gave it to their com-

mander. During the last two years of the

conflict, Gen. Hampton used it, and it has

been in his possession ever since. Not long

ago, Gen. Hampton wrote to the widow of

Gen. Custer asking her if she would not

like to have the field glass. The answer

was an affirmative one, of course, Mrs.

Custer answering Hampton that she would

doubly appreciate the relic because it had

been the property of two brave men. The

field glass was accordingly sent to Monroe,

Mich., where Mrs. Custer will place it in a

cabinet containing a large collection of war

souvenirs.

THE Argus-Journal says, in mentioning

the names of probable candidates for Con-

gress: "Mr. Oberly we allude to with

diffidence, he has so often declared he would

not consent, sometimes abusing us roundly

for hinting that he might be possessed of

congressional aspirations; yet we think he

may be like some girls, waiting to be

coaxed; and he is not bad congressional

timber either." Potter is right in one

thing. Oberly is like some girls. He

is bashful. We have known him since

we were a little boy, and during all our ac-

quaintance have had a realizing sense of

the fact that Oberly in his bashfulness is

like some girls. On occasions he is like

more girls in this respect than at other

times; but, although varying in degree, he

is always the same retiring person—the

bashfullest man in political life. And, as

the A-J suggests, this may be the reason

he declares he will not be a candidate for

Congress; but our impression is he means

what he says, and would not, even if he

were coaxed, consent to become a candidate.

He steps back to permit the great men of

the party in this district to march to the

front.

THE Jonesboro Gazette is of the opinion

that the Nationals hold the balance of power

in this district. This may be true in

one sense. We have no doubt that, if all

the National votes in this district were

thrown either for the Democratic or Repub-

lican candidate, they would elect him, but

the effect a separate nomination by the Na-

tionals will have on the result of the can-

vass is not so apparent. From which party

will the Nationals draw the most votes? is

a question we cannot reply to with the as-

surance of certainty. But, in our judgment,

the Republicans will receive more injury

than the Democrats. The Democratic party

has not been in power and cannot be held

responsible for the miserable financial pol-

icies that have controlled the government

since the war nor for the general distress of

the country. Democrats will not therefore

leave their party, to attach themselves to a

new political organization created by

ephemeral issues—a party that cannot pos-

sibly succeed at the polls—and thus give

strength to the Republicans. Democrats

will stand by their party. They know that

Democratic success means a restoration of

prosperity, and they will not follow after

the will-o-the-wisp of National doctrine.

The National party cannot hope to thrive

upon accessions from the Democracy. If it

fattens and grows big, it must get its alim-

ent from the Republican organization. It

must thrive upon Republican meat or it

must die. There is but little if anything

for it in the larders of the Democratic

party.

WAS WILBANKS TRADED OFF?

We were a very earnest friend of Mr. R.

A. D. Wilbanks. We worked for his nomi-

ination before the meeting of the Centra-

lia convention and in that convention. We

were anxious for his success, and regret his

defeat. But we do not believe the Jones-

boro Gazette is justified by the facts in

saying:

We have this to say about the Centra-

lia convention. And nothing more. If the convention

had proceeded in the order of the call, and

the clerk of the supreme court had been

named, and would not have been named

out of the nomination by candidates for clerk of the appellate

court. Mr. Wilbanks is a young man of more

than usual ability, and has not nothing by this contest.

He made a splendid race against influential leaders.

He will support the nominees of the convention

heartily, and has today more friends in Southern

Illinois than ever before. Let the ranks now be

closed up, and let every Democrat work for the

redemption of the State from Radical rule, and

success will crown their efforts.

All that is said above in compliment of

Mr. Wilbanks meets with our hearty ap-

probation. But certainly our friend Bouton

cannot sustain the charge he has made by

indirection against Mr. Harman; and he is

mistaken in his belief that Mr. Wilbanks

would have been nominated if the conven-

tion had proceeded in the order of the call.

The fact is, the influential Democratic lead-

ers to whom the Gazette refers had, by their

assaults upon Mr. Wilbanks, made his de-

feat a foregone conclusion, and if the nomi-

nation for Supreme Clerk had been pro-

ceeded with first he would have received

fewer votes than he did. There were nine

candidates for Appellate Clerk; and if their

friends had been compelled to vote first for

Supreme Clerk, knowing the bitterness of the

anti-Wilbanks counties, and hoping to get the

votes of those counties for their candidates,

they would not have voted for Mr. Wilbanks.

The friends of each would have voted for

some other candidate for Supreme Clerk

rather than put in jeopardy the success of

their own special candidate. The post-

ponement of the nomination of Supreme

Clerk until after the nomination of Appel-

late Clerk was a movement in the interest

of Mr. Wilbanks; and was made by a sup-

porter of that gentleman. It was made

with Mr. Wilbanks' knowledge and consent.

That Mr. Wilbanks was traded out of the

nomination even Mr. Wilbanks does not

believe, and the intimation that this kind

of trading was done by Mr. Harman and

his friend is, to say the least of it, decidedly

unkind, and, more than this, it is unfair and

has no foundation in fact.

THE NATIONAL PARTY CONGRES-

SIONAL CONVENTION.

A great many of the people of this dis-

trict will be surprised to learn that the

Nationals of this Congressional district held

a convention at Carbondale on Friday last,

and nominated a candidate for Congress.

The convention was not large, but, if the

information the delegates had was reliable,

it represented at least three thousand voters.

This we do not believe; but that a thousand

ballots will be cast for the National ticket

in this district in November next, is an as-

sertion frequently made with great em-

phasis, and it may not be wide of the truth.

Mr. I. S. Davis, the nominee, is a citizen of

Perry county, and is a very good man. He

has some stumping ability, and will, no

doubt, canvass the district and labor with

great industry to get votes. The platform

is a great deal of nothing not very well ex-

pressed.

DETROICH AND McNAMEE.

Sometime ago, Hon. John E. Detrich,

one of the trustees of the Southern Illinois

Hospital for the Insane, located at Anna,

published a card abusive of Mr. John Mc-

Namee, who had been guilty of no other

offense against Hon. John E. Detrich than

the possession of a wife suspected of disloy-

alty. Way Hon John E. Detrich was an-

gry because Mr. McNamee had such a wife

and did not enjoy the fact, is a subject that

might challenge the investigating ability

of an average congressman; but, we are

compelled to the conclusion, that the hon-

orable gentleman's anger resulted from the

fact that Mr. McNamee, in his anger, had

suspected Dr. Barnes and had shot at that

gentleman. Hon. John E. Detrich is a man

who stands by his friends. Dr. Barnes is

one of his friends. In fact, Dr. Barnes ad-

mires Hon. John E. Detrich and would be

delighted by the return of that gentleman

to congress. Hon. John E. Detrich had a

right, as we look at the matter, to be an-

gry with Mr. McNamee on his friend's ac-

count. His friend had done nothing to

justify Mr. McNamee in shooting at him.

His friend had, it is true, been in the habit

of calling at Mr. McNamee's house, when

Mr. McNamee was away from home and

Mrs. McNamee wasn't. But, then, Hon. John

E. Detrich knew how pure of mind the doc-

tor was and how innocent these little visits

were; and he had a right to be angry with

Mr. McNamee, because Mr. McNamee, when

he ascertained that Dr. Barnes was being

attentive to his wife, did not like the infor-

mation. It is also true, that Dr. Barnes

had kindly taken Mr. McNamee's wife up

in his buggy, and, in carrying her to the

asylum, had left the main road and jog-

ged along down by out-of-the-way time

kilns and out beyond the line of the asylum

farm; but had Mr. McNamee, when in-

formed of this circumstance by an anonym-

ous letter, a right to get angry and shoot

at the polite and accommodating doctor?

Hon. John E. Detrich was of the opinion

that he had not, and therefore Hon. John

E. Detrich gave Mr. McNamee a piece of

his mind through the papers. And now

Mr. McNamee, through the columns of the

Jonesboro Gazette, fires a letter at Hon.

John E. Detrich. He indulges in the crush-

ing sarcasm of putting an interrogation

mark inside of parentheses whenever he

places "Hon." before Mr. Detrich's name.

And he fairly annihilates his enemy by

calling him "John," and addressing him in

familiar manner. In this way he shows a

plentiful lack of dignity, and proves him-

self to be anything but "one of those liter-

ary fellows." He however makes certain

charges which should receive attention. He

says that Dr. Barnes has been whitewashed,

and that Hon. John E. Detrich was the

whitewasher; that the trustees are afraid

to publish the testimony that was taken by

them in the Barnes-McNamee investigation;

that the doctor is a naughty man, and more

of the same kind of stuff. Of course, it is

stuff. Hon. John E. Detrich, who ought to

know, will give you his word of honor that

all McNamee says is stuff. But why does

not Dr. Barnes vindicate himself in some

other way than by the report of the board

of trustees—a board composed of honest

gentlemen who are his friends? Why not

arrest Mr. McNamee? Why does he con-

sent to let this man run at large, charging

him with a serious crime? Is he afraid of

the law? Does he believe that an investi-

gation would show that McNamee had a

right to shoot at him? We do not believe

he does. But if he does does not—if he is

holding off because he believes Mr. McNa-

mee to be a man laboring under a delu-

sion—a man to be pitied and not pur-

ished—he should not permit his friends,

like Hon. John E. Detrich, to abuse the

poor fellow. He should call off all the

pack of calumniators now barking at Mc-

Namee's heels.

JUDGE MULKEY.

(Carbondale Free Press.)

THE CAIRO BULLETIN comes out warmly

in favor of Judge Mulkey as a candidate

for supreme judge in place of Judge Brose

whose term of office will soon expire.

Judge Mulkey is one of the best lawyers in

the state, and would make a most excellent

supreme judge. We would prefer our fel-

low-townsmen, Judge Huff, but this gentle-

man will not be a candidate. Our people

ought to take a lively interest in this

election, and see to it that not a single vote

is cast for Judge Brose. His decision in the

Carbondale bond case, following upon the

heels of his decision in the Livingston

county bond case, is evidence that old age

or something else has unfitted him for the

position he holds. He should be allowed to

retire to private life.

(Jonesboro Gazette.)

A judge of the supreme court of this

State will be chosen in one year from the

1st of next June. The fitness and ability

of John H. Mulkey, of Cairo, has induced

many of his legal friends to urge him to

accept this position upon the bench. Should

he consent to become a candidate, he will

receive unanimous support from this portion

of the State.

CHANCE AND HARMAN.

(Cairo Democrat.)

We to-day hoist the names of Jacob O.

Chance, of Marion county, and John Q.

Harmar, of Alexander county, who were

yesterday nominated by the Democratic

Convention at Centra for Supreme Court

Clerk and Appellate Clerk respectively.

We can endorse both of these gentlemen as

men of honor, integrity and ability, and

can and propose to give them a hearty and

unqualified support.

(Cairo Sun-Rep.)

LUCKY JOHN.—We congratulate John Q.

Harmar on his nomination yesterday, at

Centra, by the Democracy, for appellate

clerk. He has worked hard for it, is well

qualified, and deserves the position as well

as any other Democrat in Southern Illinois.

As there is little doubt of his election, he

may be considered fortunate, as the office

he seeks is a good one.

(Cairo Times.)

At the Centra convention last Thurs-

day, Jacob O. Chance, of Marion county,

was nominated for clerk of the supreme

court, and John Q. Harman, of Alexander

county, for clerk of the appellate court.

The nominees are both life-long, conscien-

tious Democrats, and possess in an eminent

degree peculiar qualifications acquired by

long service in similar positions for the

places for which they have been nominated.

Their election is a foregone conclusion, the

district being overwhelmingly Democratic

and getting more so every day. The stand-

ing of these gentlemen is a guarantee that

the interests of the Democracy and the pub-

lic will be safely in their hands.

(Carbondale Free Press.)

At the Centra convention on Tues-

day, the Democrats nominated James

Chance, of Marion county, for clerk of

the supreme court, and John Q. Harman,

of Cairo, as clerk of the appellate court.

We do not know Mr. Chance. Mr. Har-

man is as good a man for the position as

can be found in the grand division.

(Jonesboro Gazette.)

The Democratic district convention which

assembled at Centra on last Thursday,

nominated Jacob O. Chance for clerk of

the supreme court, and John Q. Harman,

clerk of the Appellate court. The conven-

tion was largely attended, and the nomi-

nation of Mr. Harman is exceedingly gratify-

ing to this portion of the district.

(Pontia National Democrat.)

It is gratifying to the National Demo-

crat to announce the nomination of John Q.

Harmar, Esq., of Cairo, as Democratic can-

didate for clerk of Appellate court in his

district. Mr. Harman was nominated on

the second ballot. He will make a faith-

ful officer, as he has been in a more cir-

cumscribed station. He will be elected to a

dead certainty, as he deserves to be. His

record as a man and as a Democrat has

been straight and consistent.

(Mt. Vernon Free Press.)

The ticket is a very strong one. Mr.

Chance is well known in Southern Illinois

as a gentleman of talent, good character,

and possessing a large clerical experience.

He has been clerk of the circuit court of

Marion county for many years, besides hold-

ing several other offices of responsibility

and duties demanding competency and

integrity. He has always been an uncon-

promising Democrat, and his record as a

politician is good—none better. He will

undoubtedly be elected by a large majority.

The same may be said of Hon. John Q.

Harmar, of Cairo, the nominee for appel-

late clerk. Mr. Harman was clerk of the

constitutional convention of 1870, and later

was clerk of the house of representatives at

Springfield. He is a gentleman of culture,

and is fully competent to fill the office. He

is very popular at home, and has an ac-

quaintance that will carry him through

without difficulty.

(Marion Egyptian Press.)

The convention held at Centra on last

Thursday, resulted in the nomination of

John Q. Harman, of Cairo, for clerk of the

appellate court, and Jacob O. Chance, of

Salem, for clerk of the supreme court. The

gentlemen nominated stand high, not only

with the Democracy of the district, but

with the general people.

CONGRESS.

WHO SHALL THE DEMOCRATS NOMINATE?—

ALL THE AVAILABLE MEN IN THE DIS-

TRICT, AND THE REMAINDER OF THE

PARTY, SUGGESTED AS CANDIDATES.

(Argus-Journal.)

There evidently will be a number of

Democratic candidates in this district for

the congressional nomination. Several

counties will present a candidate each.

Randolph doubtless will offer Mr. Hart-

zoff again.

Perry may yet present Hon. W. K. Mur-

phy, though having instructed for Allen.

Jackson has three worthy gentlemen who

will not decline to be his choice in Mr. N.

W. Graham, Judge Allen and Hon. F. E.

Albright.

Williamson may instruct for Hon. James

M. Washburn, a very suitable gentleman

for a seat in congress.

Union has Col. R. R. Townes, Hon. Jesse

Ware, Judge Crawford and Judge Hilleman.

We rather expect that Col. Townes will be

the choice of Union county, and such pre-

ference is due the colonel.

Alexander has no lack of suitable mat-

erial. There are Judge Brose, S. P. Wheel-

er, Esq., Judge Green, D. T. Linegar, Esq.,

J. M. Lonsien, Esq., Hon. J. H. Oberly,

and several others. Judge Brose would be

a tower of strength as a con-

gressional candidate. He would

take the Democratic vote entire and a large

portion of the German Republican vote.

S. P. Wheeler, Esq., would also prove a

strong candidate; he would take the Demo-

cratic vote, also a part of the intelligent

vote from the temperance wing of the Re-

publican party. Alexander may well pre-

sent her cousin with the other counties, in

the Democratic congressional convention,

and she probably will. Mr. Lonsien or

Mr. Linegar would take well in the district

convention, and with the people in case of

nomination. If we understand Judge Green

correctly, he does not desire a nomination at

this time, but should the convention deem

it best to nominate him, doubtless he would

consent to enter for the race. Mr. Oberly

we allude to with diffidence, he has so often

declared he would not consent, sometimes

abusing us roundly for hinting that he

might be possessed of congressional aspira-

tions; yet we think he may be like some

girls, waiting to be coaxed; and he is not

bad congressional timber either.

Putaski county is likely to express a pre-

ference for Hon. Newton R. Casey, although

she has some other good congressional mat-

erial in Capt. W. L. Hambleton, Col. E. B.

Watkins and others.

Johnson has a good man for the place in

Hon. S. M. Glassford. Though not strictly

a Democrat, he is sufficiently one to answer

the requirement, and would be an available

man to run at this time. He has the re-

quisite calibre, is an excellent representative

of the most thrifty farmer class and could

carry a large portion of the old Independ-

ent vote, if not all of it. If Johnson does

not instruct for him, naturally she should

go for her neighbor in the senatorial district,

and instruct for the choice of Putaski.

In the counties of Massac and Pope we

believe there is no disposition to put for-

ward a candidate of their own, and their

support would seem most likely to go to

the candidate of some other county in their

senatorial district, provided a worthy and

suitable man is provided.

There is no harm in having a plenty of

candidates in the congressional convention,

and perhaps if each county should instruct

for one of its own citizens, the final result

would be better for it. In this way an ar-

ray of good men would be brought before

the convention, a comparison of merits

made and a judicious selection better in-

sured.

For all these go to Barclays'.

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